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SUBJECT: GOB CONTROL OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES

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1. BUREAU FOR DIPLOMATIC SERVICES CONTROLS EMPLOYMENT OF LOCALS. OUR REQUIREMENTS ARE TRANSMITTED TO THEM AND CANDIDATES SENT TO MISSION FOR INTERVIEW. IN ADDITION, GOB CAN REMOVE EMPLOYEES FROM OUR SERVICE AT THEIR PLEASURE, THIS BEING A SORE POINT AMONG WESTERN MISSIONS HERE. SALARY LEVELS ARE NOT IMPOSED UPON US BY GOB AND SALARIES PAID DIRECTLY TO EMPLOYEES. MISSION'S ATTEMPT TO RECEIVE FROM GOB SALARY SCALES FOR VARIOUS OFFICE FUNCTIONS HAVE BEEN REPLIED TO WITH A REQUEST THAT MISSION SEND TO GOB DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES PERFORMED AND SALARY PAID AND THEY IN TURN WOULD INFORM THE MISSION WHETHER THEY MET BULGARIAN SCALES. THIS WE HAVE NOT DONE.

2. SINCE OCTOBER 1975, GOB HAS BEEN PRESSING ALL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MISSIONS TO SIGN A TRILATERAL LABOR CONTRACT BETWEEN

BUREAU FOR DIPLOMATIC SERVICES, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER AND SPECIFYING CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT. INASMUCH AS CONTRACT IS UNACCEPTABLE IN MANY RESPECTS, WESTERN MISSIONS HAVE BEEN COORDINATING A UNIFORM APPROACH TO GOB IN ORDER TO RECTIFY. THIS ATTEMPT IS STILL IN PROGRESS. FELDMAN

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